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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 TATYANA I. MASON, et al.,

CASE NO. C17-5289JLR

11 Plaintiffs,

ORDER

12 v.

13 JOHN A. MASON,

14 Defendant.

15 Before the court is Plaintiff Tatyana I. Mason's motion to appoint counsel. (Mot.  
16 (Dkt. # 79).) Ms. Mason, who is currently proceeding *pro se* and *in forma pauperis*  
17 ("IFP") (10/10/17 Order (Dkt. # 19); 2/4/21 Order (Dkt. # 77)), seeks a court-appointed  
18 attorney, which the court has discretion to request on her behalf, *see* 28 U.S.C.  
19 § 1915(e)(1). On July 6, 2021, pursuant to the Western District of Washington's plan for  
20 court-appointed representation, the court concluded that Ms. Mason had demonstrated an  
21 adequate basis to refer her case to the Screening Committee. (7/6/21 Order (Dkt. # 80) at

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1 2-3 (citing General Order No. 16-20, Section 3(c) (Dec. 8, 2020)).) The Screening  
2 Committee has recommended the appointment of counsel.

3 No later than October 29, 2021, the court DIRECTS the Clerk to identify counsel  
4 from the Pro Bono Panel who would be willing to represent Ms. Mason in this action. If  
5 the Clerk cannot locate counsel within that timeframe who is willing to represent Ms.  
6 Mason on a pro bono basis, the court will be unable to appoint counsel. If the Clerk  
7 timely identifies pro bono counsel, the court will issue an order of appointment. The  
8 court further DIRECTS the Clerk to send a copy of this order to Ms. Mason and to the  
9 Western District of Washington's Pro Bono Coordinator. Finally, the court DIRECTS  
10 the Clerk to re-note Ms. Mason's motion for appointment of counsel (Dkt. # 79) for  
11 October 29, 2021.

12 Dated this 17th day of September, 2021.

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16 JAMES L. ROBART  
17 United States District Judge  
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